## Statement of Work

# Support for Superfund Assessment and Remediation Division Interagency Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

## **AUTHORITY**

This interagency agreement is entered with the USACE under the statutory authorities vested in the President of the United States and delegated to EPA under CERCLA (PL 96-510) and SARA (PL 99-499) and Executive Order 12580, as amended.

### **PURPOSE**

The Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation (OSRTI) is responsible for the national management of the Agency's Superfund remedial program. In this capacity, OSRTI oversees EPA Regional program office's evaluation, selection and implementation of cleanup remedies and serves as an information resource to remedial site project managers on major technical and policy issues. For more than 20 years, the EPA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) have worked as partners to address the challenges of cleaning up the nation's uncontrolled hazardous waste sites. During this time, USACE has provided technical expertise and assisted in ushering in a new era of engineering, science and technology to the Superfund program.

The OSRTI requires technical support in carrying out the Superfund mission requirements and is establishing this agreement to provide for a range of technical and policy assistance assignments to USACE. These assignments will be conducted from USACE resources, both the government FTEs and their contractors.

## SCOPE OF SERVICES

This IA can be used to obtain the following services:

- A. Technical Assistance for Property Acquisition and Relocation Activities
- 1. Provide training to EPA and other Agency representatives on the application of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970 (Uniform Act) and implementing regulations to Superfund sites.
- 2. Provide technical support, as requested, to EPA personnel regarding temporary and permanent relocation activities on Superfund sites. Technical assistance may involve discussions, negotiations, and report generation involving all aspects of property acquisition and relocation.
- 3. Developing training materials, as requested, on the application of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970 (Uniform Act) and implementing regulations to Superfund sites. Training and training materials shall

comply with US Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and National Highway Institute (NHI) guidelines regarding acquisition and relocation training but tailored to meet EPA's unique mission requirements.

- B. Research, Technical Assistance and Guidance Development for Superfund Sites with contaminated sediments
- 1. Provide technical support in developing guidances and fact sheets on sediment capping.
- 2. Provide technical support in developing guidance and fact sheets on sediment site characterization, including evaluating sediment stability and sediment transport and contaminant fate modeling.
- 3. Provide technical support in targeted applied research. Example topics could be evaluating the use of mixed media in sand caps for erosion control, and evaluating the bioavailability of PCBs ad DDTs in sediments at contaminated sediment sites.
- 4. Provide technical support in developing training courses for site characterization and remediation of contaminated sediments.
  - 5. Provide site-specific modeling and other technical support for sediments sites.
- C. Other Technical Assistance and Policy Support
- 1. Provide training or seminars for EPA personnel. Example topics could be value engineering, design review process, and construction contracting and field oversight.
- 2. Provide technical support to EPA to conduct and draft Superfund Five-Year Reviews.
- 3. Provide technical support to EPA to conduct and draft remedy optimization and evaluation reports.
  - 4. Provide technical support for groundwater policy development.
  - 5. Provide other technical assistance as required.

#### WORK ACTIVATION/AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

The generic (bulk funded) IAG will be executed between the EPA's OSRTI and the USACE Environmental & Munitions Center of Expertise (EM CX). EM CX will retain the bulk funding for the IAG, but does not have authority to obligate or expend any funds until EPA issues a task specific Work Authorization Form (WAF). The EPA project

officer (PO) has the authority to execute a work authorization to USACE for activities within the scope of work of the generic IA. The EPA PO will use a WAF to describe, define, authorize, and activate the assignments. The WAF may indicate which USACE office is being requested to perform the assignment. The WAF will be submitted to the USACE EM CX for administrative and financial processing. The WAF will be assigned to the USACE performing district. The USACE performing district will ensure that all provisions of the scope of work are met and that funds expended are consistent with the WAF.